From:

APPENDIX 5

Sent:

20 June 2019 15:14

To:

Civic Licensing - Generic Email Account

Subject:

Objection to Proposed Colonel Cleland Memorial March in Dunkel d - Sunday 18th

August 2019

Dear Sir / Madam,

I wish to object to this march taking place in my home town of Dunkeld. This walk to my knowledge has taken place over the past few years under the guise of the Colonel Cleland Memorial March when it is none other than an Orange March, which I feel promotes bad feeling, bigotry and sectarianism. My village is a multi-denominational community where the all the churches unite in many community spirited events and this march which takes place by a bigoted group from outwith Perthshire only insights bigotry, sectarianism and reflects badly on us the residents and the village as a whole to tourists and visitors who come to Dunkeld year after year from all over the world. The marchers wear their full orange regalia and in my opinion are using the Colonel Cleland Memorial as an excuse to display their bigotry in being allowed to march so publicly within our village. It is just not acceptable in today's society.

I would like to point out I have no objection to them visiting the village to commemorate the anniversary of The Battle of Dunkeld and Colonel Cleland's memorial whereby The Camerionans I understand lay a wreath each year at Col. Cleland's grave within the grounds of Dunkeld Cathedral. I myself am very proud of the historical links Dunkeld has with many historical events over the years such as Beatrix Potter, Charles McIntosh, Niel Gow etc. but to use the Battle of Dunkeld to promote bigotry and sectarianism by these Orange Lodge groups, who I believe hail from the West Coast, is unacceptable and should be stopped.

I have in the past written to our local councillors with regards this matter, but to no avail and hope my objection will be taken into consideration. (I understand today is the closing date for any objections)

Await hearing from you in due course.

Yours faithfully